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GEN. THOMAS W. HYDE,

Death of Distinguished Bath Ship Builder.

Newport News, Va., Nov. 14.—Gen. Thomas W. Hyde owner of Bath, Maine, Iron Works died at Old Point Comfort this afternoon. He was one of the best known shipbuilders in this country. He had been ill only a short time.

Bath, Me., Nov. 14.—The death of Brig. Gen. Thomas Worcester Hyde at Fort Monroe of Bright's disease, was announced in a message received late this afternoon. General Hyde was the son of Zina Hyde of this city. He was born in Florence, Italy, Jan. 15, 1841, was educated in the schools of Bath, was graduated from Bowdoin college and Chicago University. In 1861 he organized a company of the Seventh Maine, was immediately elected major, and in the absence of the colonel, and lieutenant colonel he took the regiment to the front.

He was on the staff of the left division of the Army of the Potomac in the Sixteh Army Corps, until 1864; then was colonel of the First Maine volunteers, and became commander of the Third brigade of the second division of the Sixth Corps until the end of the war. He was mustered out as a brigadier general by brevet in 1865 and returned to Bath and entered the iron foundry business. He founded the Bath Iron Works and Hyde Windlass Company, and was president of the former till this last September, when he resigned owing to ill health, and his son Edward W., succeeded him.

He was grand commander of the Maine Knights Templar for several years; mayor of Bath two terms; in the Maine Senate one term; a delegate to the National Republican convention in 1896, and a director in the Maine Central road for many years until his death. He was a member of the prominent clubs of Portland, Boston and New York, one of the city's greatest benefactors, and the most beloved man in Bath. Besides having great business ability, genuis for military problems, and aptitude for politics he was a scholar and writer of much force.

The Iron Works will be closed three days out of respect to his memory, and the entire city will mourn its loss.